Docket No.: 01527/000E847-US0
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Arthur Ashman

Application No.: 09/448,692

Confirmation No.: 5329

Filed: November 24, 1999

Art Unit: 3738

For: SOFT TISSUE SUBSTITUTE AND

METHOD OF SOFT TISSUE

REFORMATION

Examiner: D. Isabella

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

A copy of each document on the PTO/SB/08 is attached.

2

Docket No.: 01527/000E847-US0

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits after filing of this Continued Prosecution Application (CPA). Therefore, Applicant believes that no fee is due. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency of up to \$300.00 or credit any excess in this fee to Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

Dated: January 26, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin L. Reiner

Registration No.: 43,040 DARBY & DARBY P.C.

P.O. Box 5257

New York, New York 10150-5257

(212) 527-7700

(212) 753-6237 (Fax)

Attorneys/Agents For Applicant